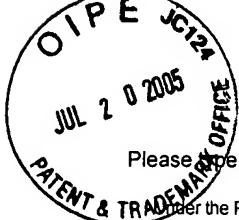




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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Examiner Chen:

This responds to the Office Action dated May 31, 2005.

Thank you for the interview granted last month. Applicants have amended the claims as discussed. Moreover, Applicants have enclosed a discussion of the systems that exhibit two or more glass transition temperatures. Applicants have added dependent claims each of which depends from an allowed base claim and each of which is, therefore, patentable over the prior art for at least the same reasons as are the base claims. Finally, Applicants request that claims 7, 21, and 25, be rejoined.

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